

REMARKS

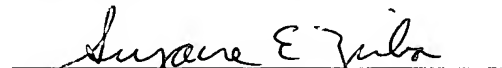
Applicants have amended claims 1-27. The amendments serve to remove multiple dependencies, reduce the number of dependent claims, reduce verbosity, and add the word "isolated" (which can be found in the specification at least at page 25, line 20). It is not believed that any of the amendments introduce new matter, but are in fact supported by the original claims. Additionally, Applicants maintain the right to file continuations and divisional applications on the subject matter cancelled by way of this amendment.

Should any questions arise in connection with this application, or should the Examiner believe a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any remaining issues pertaining to this application, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned be contacted at the number indicated below.

EXCEPT for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0573. This paragraph is intended to be a CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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